



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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Dear Mr. Rogge,

I write on taking office as Secretary-General to thank you for your kind words and good wishes. I am deeply heartened to know that I have your support as I undertake the vast responsibilities before me.

As you know, I assume my duties at a time of daunting challenges in world affairs -- from the range of crises troubling our world to the need to defend human rights and move forward in reaching the Millennium Development Goals. Yet I also know that the demands placed on the United Nations demonstrate that our Organization is very much alive, that it is on the front line in addressing crises and giving hope to people around the world, and that it is a force to be reckoned with, among Governments and people everywhere.

I am determined to do all in my power to ensure that our United Nations can live up to those high expectations, and carry out effectively the ever more global role which Member States have entrusted to it. By strengthening the three pillars of the United Nations -- security, development and human rights, all underpinned by the rule of law -- we can build a more peaceful, more prosperous and more just world for succeeding generations. In that effort, I will seek to act as a harmonizer and bridge-builder, and do all I can to restore trust in the Organization.

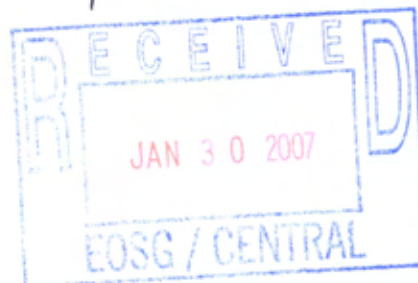
I am reassured to know that in that endeavour, I will have your support.

Yours sincerely,

Ki Moon Ban

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Mr. Jacques Rogge
President
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Dear Ambassador Ban,

On behalf of myself and the entire Olympic Movement, I extend to you our congratulations on your election as Secretary General of the United Nations.

This is indeed a tribute to you personally and your country for the tremendous contribution you have made over the years to development and world peace.

We are aware of the daunting tasks that lay ahead, not least the achievement of the United Nations' Millenium Development Goals. The International Olympic Committee, as you are aware, has established a track record of working with the United Nations and UN agencies to help them achieve their mandates.

I assure you that the IOC shall continue to place sport at the service of mankind and we look forward to stronger bonds being developed between the UN and the Olympic Movement during your tenure.

I hope to call on you in due course in New-York. In the meantime, I personally and my office would be happy to consider any suggestions you might have.

Yours sincerely,

Jacques Rogge

